

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. JOYCE OF OHIO**

At the end of subtitle C of title V, insert the following:

**1 SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . REPORT ON WAIVERED RECRUITS.**

2 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON WAIVER SYSTEM TO  
3 REAPPLY FOR ENLISTMENT FOLLOWING A POSITIVE  
4 TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL TOXICOLOGY TEST.—It is the  
5 sense of Congress that—

6 (1) the Departments of the Army and the Navy  
7 have taken positive steps in their work to design and  
8 implement a waiver system that permits potential  
9 enlistees into the Armed Forces to reapply for enlist-  
10 ment following a positive toxicology test for  
11 tetrahydrocannabinol;

12 (2) given the ongoing recruitment and retention  
13 challenges undermining the Armed Forces readiness  
14 goals, the Departments of the Air Force, Space  
15 Force, and Marine Corps should develop and imple-  
16 ment their own permanent waiver system commensu-  
17 rate with the process employed by the Army and  
18 Navy;

1           (3) the lack of a unified, service-wide definition  
2           of the waiver process may deter potential recruits  
3           from enlisting in the Armed Forces; and

4           (4) the Air Force, Space Force, and Marine  
5           Corps should establish permanent waiver programs.

6           (b) **WAIVERED RECRUITS REPORTING REQUIRE-**  
7 **MENT.**—No later than 180 days after the date of the en-  
8 actment of this Act, Secretary of Defense shall submit to  
9 the congressional defense committees a report that in-  
10 cludes a plan to create, disseminate, and use a clear defini-  
11 tion that highlights that all waived recruits are qualified  
12 and eligible to enlist in the Armed Forces, even if they  
13 do not meet every enlistment standard, and that existing  
14 standards of enlistment allow for waivers.

